## **FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

# September Lunch Delivery:

Seniors / Ladies

Evangelism

### Prayer Leaders Armor Bearers / Mission Ministry

## **Scriptures**

Friday, September 13th

Mark 12:28 - 34

Saturday, September 14th

Mark 6:7 - 13

Sunday, September 15th

Matthew 28:16 - 20

Monday, September 16th

Luke 10:1 - 12

Tuesday, September 17th

1 Corinthians 15:1 - 11

Wednesday, Sept. 18th

Philippians 1:12 - 18

Thursday, September 19th

Colossians 1:3 - 8

First African Baptist Church 23 Montgomery Street Savannah, GA 31401 Sacrificial Solitary Prayer Wednesdays @ 6:00AM

For Transportation call The Church office @ 912.233.6597



## The Importance of Evangelism Two Common Arguments

Must every Christian evangelize? The scriptural answer is "yes." But I have encountered two main reasons for why some argue the answer is "no."

**1.** The Great Commission was only given to the apostles and therefore does not apply to us today.

First, some argue that the Great Commission was only given to the apostles and therefore does not apply to us today. While it is true that contextually the Great Commission (Matt. 28:18-20) was given to the apostles, it was not only for the apostles. The command "teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you" certainly includes the command to make disciples. D.A. Carson notes that the Great Commission does not record Jesus saying to the apostles, ". . . teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you, except for this commandment to make disciples. Keep their grubby hands off that one, since it belongs only to you, my dear apostles."

What had Jesus commanded the apostles? Among many other things, he commanded them to preach the gospel to the whole creation. So this command of Jesus given to the apostles also applies to every believer today. In addition, should we try to limit Jesus' promise "I am with you always, to the end of the age," as only applying to the apostles, or does it apply to us today? Certainly it applies to us today!

**2.** Since only some people have the "gift of evangelism," not everyone is obligated to witness.

Second, some claim that since only some people have the "gift of evangelism," not everyone is obligated to witness. Space prohibits a full discussion on the topic of "the gift of evangelism," but a few observations are in order.

First, evangelism is not recorded in the common spiritual gifts listings in Scripture; instead, the office of evangelist is mentioned in Ephesians 4:11. Some (myself included) question whether "evangelism" should be seen as a distinct spiritual gift, such as giving, serving, and so on.

In addition, even if evangelism is a spiritual gift, it is also a command for all believers, just like giving, serving, and so on. Not having "the gift of evangelism" does not excuse a believer from his or her call to share Christ with others.

### Homebound Disciples

#### OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS

Ward 1: Saussy/Roberson

Sis. Marion Dobson Dr. Ethel P. Stokes

Ward 2: Houston/Lawrence

Sis. Elizabeth Butler

Sis. Mattie Rouse

Sis. Thelma Tharpe

Sis. Elizabeth Williams

**Bro. Jerome Williams** 

Sis. Joanne Mouzon

Sis. Natasha Garvin-Holmes

Ward 3: Johnson/Sanders

Sis. Carolyn Mars

Sis. Mary Kennedy

Sis. Sara Herring

Sis. Lillie Evans

Ward 4: Bush/Riles/Wright

Sis. Helen Braxton

Sis. Pearl Holmes

**Bro. Gene Morris** 

Bro. Earl Thornton

Ward 5: Anderson/McGuire

Sis. Julia Rhaney

Sis. Irene Billups

Join us on the prayer line each day at 6:33 AM! Dial (218) 632-1707. The passcode is 345184#.

Welcome to all of our F.R.AN.s (Friends, Relatives, Associates & Neighbors) and all other Guests Sunday September 15th @ 9:00am ~ Sunday School Empowerment Hour Sunday September 15th @ 10:00am ~ 3rd Sunday Worship Experience Thursday September 19th @ 7:00pm ~ FAB @ Temple of Glory Community Church Saturday September 21st @ 8:00am ~ Ushers Health Walk @ Lake Mayer Sunday September 22nd @ 9:00am ~ Sunday School Empowerment Hour Sunday September 22nd @ 10:00am ~ 4th Sunday Worship Experience

Pastor Thurmond N. Tillman & First African Baptist Church are invited to be a part of the Worship Experience at Temple of Glory Community Church @ 7pm on Thursday September 19, 2019 in Celebration of their City-wide Revival. The Deacons, Trustees, Choir, Ushers and all members are asked to be present to help in this Celebration.

The Church is located at 1105 Stiles Avenue, Savannah, GA.

The GMBC 1st Distrist & FABC Ushers invite you to join them on Saturday, September 21, 2019 @ 8:00am at Lake Mayer for their Annual Health and Wellness Walk.

Donations are appreciated.



Thank you and God bless you for your generosity. We raised over \$1,950.00 towards Hurricane Dorian Relief. The funds were divided among the General Missionary Baptist Convention of GA, Inc., Temple of Glory Community Church, the Global United Network, headquartered in Nassau, Bahamas and Creekside Community Church of Gainesville, FL, providing assistance in Freeport, Grand Bahama, Bahamas.

First African Baptist Church is seeking a Part Time Custodian/
Maintenance Technician to assist with the janitorial, maintenance and
landscape management of the Church. If you or someone you know is
interested in this position, please contact the Church Office for a job
description and to fill out an employment application.

The FABC Credit Union has GoodRx Discount Prescription Cards available. When you price your prescription, compare the GoodRx price to your insurance price and use whichever is the lowest price.